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Meetings held first friday each month

NEXT PLANNED FUNCTION

Date: Friday 1 October 1971.

Place: Veterans Memorial Bldg, 1455 Madison Ave.,

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Program: A nostalgic lookback at the days when
RADIO was young, Harry Redeker, W6NU, an
old-timer who was there will give us a look
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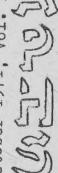












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- 7. Auction and all sales STOP AT 12 MIDNIGHT. Owner must pick up any gear not sold. BUYERS must remove all gear.

#### REPORT ON SEPT. 10 MEETING

The meeting got right underway with the lecture by Dick Kolby, K6HIJ, who gave us a highly detailed technical description of the overall CSCAR program, as well as the specific equipment tested on the 61ybys on Sept. 11 and Sept. 25. Although the talk was well over the heads of all but our guests from the UHF Society, it was well presented, and Dick is a jovial sort of guy who is fun to listen to. To sum up some of what he said, it turns out the OSCAR repeater being flown by us these days is quite definitely to go up in the next launch, probably early next year, but there are some other candidate packages that may go up with it. Each "OSCAR" module is a sealed box that fits into a specified compartment, with plugs for the "gesentah" and the "gesoutah" (I don't know how to spell these rather interesting expressions). Each "OSCAR" also has to pass very stringent space qualification tests. There are 6 boys in the rocket for "CSCARS", and apparently these boys are filled with an equivalent amount of lead if not used, probably in order not to foul up the trajectory computers,

Dick explained what is the relation of AMSAT (in Maryland) and OSCAR, Inc. or other groups like it. AMSAT is like a "holding company"; that is, the AMSAT people are organizing types (probably aerospace company executives who are hams) and they promote launches by NASA, motivate other groups like OSCAR to get on the ball and get packages built, push ARRL to promote CSCAR-type activities, etc.

Dick pointed out that the correct procedure for calling through the CSCAR transponder this Saturday (or any time) is as you would through any repeater; that is, you don't call WA3NDS, you call CQ or station and log WA3NDS, with a list of stations called to the right in the remarks area. (I hope I got this straight - if not, somebody please let me know at the meeting).

After coffee and doughnuts, Dick dontinued talking about ham microwave techniques and equipment. Dick happens to be a Senior Engineer at JPL (Cal Tech) in the RF Development Group at Goldstone, and manages the Deep Space microwave test facilities. He described a simple to build a 3.3 GHz set up that any good beer-drinking ham ought to be able to build. It consists of a Klystron tube oscillator (cheap, like 7 for a buck), coupled into a beer can, with "gensintahs" and gesoutahs" and a diode mixer attached. The output of the mixer goes to an IF amplier and FM receiver, coupled to an FM modulated oscillator that somehow locks up with the other guys TX oscillator so both ends stay on the same frequency. I did not quite understand how it all worked,

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 22 September 1971

The meeting was brought to order at 8:10PM.

Fred Canham, W6QWF, gave a report on the CCRC meeting this month. Many interesting items were brought out. The particular item of interest at this time is the proposal that the Trophy Cup established by CCRC several ion of the San Jose Radio Club, be made available for competition in future Field Days. This is under consideration and a decision will be made before next Field Day. Sounds real good.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: found for the position of RADIO OFFICER for the Menlo Park-Atherton area. The use of them. 2. Jerry Starkey, WB6LIJ.

was authorized to proceed presentatio n to the San 1971 Field Day competition between the 3 Clubs. PAARA. SCARS and San Carlos.

3. The Nominating Committee has taken no action. Lee Zalazanik announced he is moving to Livermore and will thus have to drop the Secre- 8. Lee will order the new

Committee was informed. 4. Jerry Starkey reported that his prospect for assistance on painting the trailer had not shown any enthusiasam. Fred Canham will arrange for a time for a work party to tackle the job.

5. The Raffle Committee reported that some funds are available from the rangle kitty for deposit in the treasuary. 6. Fred pointed out that the years ago and now in possess-layout at Don Johnsons for the conduct of radio calsses is equal to or better than most commercial company's. He urges anwone interested and able to go there for preparation for the license exams.

He mentioned that the San Francisco Radio Club has a 1. No candidate has yet been number, about 65, walkie-talkies on 6 meters available to any group who can make real

There were several reports on Auctions in the Bay area. with purchasing a plaque for The concensus is that a Flea-Market type of sale may be the Carlos Club as winner of the best for moving Ham used equipment.

7. The Old-Timer receiver which was donated by RED JOHNSON to PAARA was discussed. Fred will go through it and make it operable for demonstrations on capabilities of such receivers. tarys job. The Nominating Call Book by 28 Sept. (Ctd pg8)

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OR DONATE IT TO PAARA TO SELL BOARD MEETING 9/22/71 - Cont'd ators. It appears that the set-9. There was some discussion of the AUCTION to be held 15 October in the AMPEX cafeteria. The Board voted unanimously to fully support and go ahead with the auction.

to acquire door prizes. The various committees and their responsibilities were discussed and clarified. Rules of the sale were outlined and approved. Various necessary functions such as clean-up. parking, registering, etc. were discussed. Publicity was ted he gave a talk to the San arranged for through the at Foothills College.

the C-D Net on Monday nights be designated as a "Public Service Net". This suggestion derives from the evident lack of both participators and the Cities involved in the C-D Net having adequate interest conviction in the real value of the C-D Net. It appears that the various Cities involved have developed alternate communications nets which appear to them to be more dependable, reliable and available than the services provided by amateur oper-

ing interest in and Ham Net. Meanwhile it also appears that our most obvious and pressing Individuals were designatedneed is for a real PARTICIPATOR as a RADIO OFFICER to organize and rehabilitate the C-D and RACES organization in this area. The need is there - we can perform a REAL public service' by manning and operating a real EMERGENCY NETWORK. 11. Andy Korsak, VE3FZK, repor-Mateo Radio Club on the OSCAP. PAARA VP for Public Relations on 17 September. Some items of 10. Under new items there was material were donated to PAARA. some discussion of the museum 12. Lee Zalaznik, WB6BJB, reported that he mans 3952 Khz each There has been some discu- Monday night after the C-D Net ssion and proposals made that is secured. Lee has been doing a fine job there at the trailer and will handle any traffic you may have. Phone: 326-6200 extension 2666. He says the Net has been very active. The control has been shifted to various of the City stations. To provide experience in handling traffic the ARRL bulletins have been relayed at times. Lee also reports that he has been making many contacts using his own call. WB6BJB. and now has almost completed his QSO's for a WAS award.

GO TO IT LEE!!!

up of a "Public Service Net"

might retain the feeling of need so essential to retain-

#### MENLO PARK C-D RADIO CLUB Adopted June 1959

#### ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

There shall be two (2) types of membership, as follows: Full member and associate member. A full member shall be a F.C.C. licensed radio amateur, excepting F.C.C. Novice Class license. Other than full members shall be known as associate members.

There shall be no initiation fees or dues. Each member shall actively support the club by contributions of personal time and/or equipment as may be required to achieve the objectives of the club.

#### ARTICLE II FINANCES

When monies are required to cover necessary expenditures the membership shall meet to determine the method of fund raising.

#### ARTICLE III LOYALTY OATH

All members shall be required to take a Loyalty Oath to the United States of America in order to achieve the club's objectives.

ARTICLE IV SUSPENSION, EXPULSION, WITHDRAWAL, OR RESIGNATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Any member who does not actively engage in club activities for a period of three months or longer may be notified by the secretary that the member is subject to suspension unless he can show cause why he should not be dropped from membership.

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#### ARTICLE IV - Cont"d. MENLO PARK C-D RADIO CLUB

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Resignation or withdrawal from membership may be made by written notice to the Secretary.

#### ARTICLE V NOMINATION AND ELIGIBILITY OF OFFICERS

Nominations for officers shall be made at a club meeting held within the second month preceding the end of a fiscal year. The office of President and Vice-President shall be held by Full Members.

The office of Property Custodian shall be held by a Full Member due to F.C.C. requirement for licensing of the club station.

#### ARTICLE VI ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Officers shall be elected by written ballot at a meeting held within the month preceding the end of the fiscal year.

The election shall be conducted by the President and the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for any office shall be declared elected to that office at the end of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE VII DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(Continued next month)

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Lets go Microwave QST June 1953 pg 11

Experimental Transceivers for 5650 mcs QST Aug 1960 pg 11
Practical Gear for Amateur Microwave Communication on 3300 QST
June 1963 pg 1

By Andy Korsak, VE3FZK

(The above bibliography is due to Cliff, W6HDC)

#### OSCAR TRANSPONDER TESTS

By the time you get this paper, the fun will have been all over, so this article is just to let you know what happened on the W6OTX expedition to Mt. Hamilton on Sept. 11 and what is planted for Sept. 25.

#### DISASTER ON MT. HAMILTON!!!

. Early Saturday morning, Sept. 11, the W6CTX expedition started out from the trailer in three vehicles, but came back in only two vehicles. One of the cars managed to wind up upside down in a gully half way up the mountain. Fortunately, I was on the 7225 ground not all the time. and as soon as I learned of the accident I informed Lee, WB6BJB and Cliff, W6HDC, and I forget which one of them called the Highway Patrol. The overturned car was totally wrecked, but luckily nobody got hurt, expect Dan Lutz, WN6DVA, from the San Carlos Club, who was slightly scractched up in the face. The others in the car were Gene Sussli, WA6NVU, (driver and owner) and Mike Bach, WB6FFC. Gene, as you all know, is president of the San Carlos Club. Also, in my Datsun ptckup was Greg Garcia, WB6DAI, of the San Carlos Club, and Glenn Tomlin, WA6KKK, was in the third vehicle. Glenn Works at SRI and he brought along his 7 element 2-meter beam, as well as his VHF and general technical expertise which came in handy as the rest of us seemed to be pretty disorganized. While driving up the mountain, Mike was trying to repair his Pawnee and talking through it to Greg who had a 2-er in my truck. We were ahead of Gene, and suddenly we lost contact with them, but we figured they merely pulled over because somebody was car So we kep on because equipment had to be set up out my truck, and we thought they would be along soon. When we reached the top we asked somebody that just arrived after us if they had passed a blue car. They said they did, in the ditch. At that point I called Lee on the ground net, as we knew for sure it had to be our friends. It took us a half hour to get back down to the scene of the accident, and after we picked up what we could of equipment and my tools (which had flown all over the car and down the gully, covered up by a landslide), we

decided this wasn't going to keep us from reaching our goal, after coming all this way. So they all piled into Glenn's little Datsun wagon and we rushed back up the hill to see if we could still make the transponder contact. As it turned out, we got to the top just when the plane turned around, and we heared WA6JPR from down south through it - and the beacon coming out of it, but we did not hear the battered up Pawnee come out of it on 10. We're not even sure what kind of a signal was coming out of it!

As it turned out, at least somebody managed to work down into the L.A. basin through the transponder. Bob Stein, W6NBI, who built up our prototype tunable converter on the 2 meter project, contacted WA6JPR on SSB, and apparently somebody else also down in the Sunnyale area got into the thing from down there, so I guess we did not have to all the way up that wretched mountain road to try to break the repeater. Incidentally, when W6NBI hit it, it was somewhere near Los Banos, and the northernmost portion of its journey.

#### PAARA HAMS TO THE RESCUE

I have to express my gratitude here to Lee, WB6BJB, and Cliff, W6HEC, for getting off the ground net and sticking by the frequency up 7 Kc from the net so I could keep in touch during emergency, until we got underway and reached the top of the hill again. Also, thanks are due to ED, W6AWN, who took over from Lee when he had to leave for personal reasons. Doc, WA6OPA, tried to help us but signals were not too good between us. We appreciated Cliff's 2 KW linear being fired up to help us, as were in a gully and ground waves were fairly badly snuffed out at the accident scene. It turns out Cliff got into trouble with his neighbors over that - his 2 kilowatts were apparently ringing phone bells all over the neighborhood. Sorry about that, Cliff - we understand your rig was clean, and the FCC is right behind you, but we all know (very well, some of us) how that does not make a bit off difference with the neighbors -- they don't give a hoot;

PLANS FOR THE SEPTEMBER 25 FLY-BY

W60TX will be on the ground net again, with Lee, W86MJB, assisting the ground net on 7225, as on Sept. 11. Also Bob Baum, W6BFK, Hal Moore, W6DEF, and possibly some other PAARA members will assist monitoring on 10 meters and relieving Lee on 40. I intend to operate the club's Gonset along with the linear donated by us by Don Snow

(through Al Doty), and see how far out we can hit the transponder. I will probably operate out of my home QTH on 2, due to the much better antenna there, a J-beam, which I fot from Brian Westfall (still have to pay you for that, Brian) - remind me at the meeting). I will keep in touch with the trailer through a pair of two-ers.

I also borrowed a 2-meter 2KW linear built by Irv Wolfe, W6HHN, using a \$6 5 cx1500 pentode. I don't know if I 'll hame time to set up a power supply for it, but if so, maybe we'll fire it up.

#### 2-METER PROJECT REPORT

Due to all the OSCAR flurry lately, plus family matters, I simply haven't had time to get back to working on the IF strip which I got back from Signetics last month. I have to build up a model of their esign, as well. Also, my transmitter board is still unifnished, but recommend that some of you go on ahead and start building the transmitter as described thoroughly in the last two issues. You can etch your own board very easily by tracing the layout in the last issue and using ferric chloride. We still have not settled on where we'll get boards made in quantity - hopefully this month I'll have some time to get back to that oo.

Thanks to Harley Gabrielson, K6DS, down in La Mesa, for bringing us a working bread board of a complementary multivibrator voltage doubler for our phase-lock-loop 18 volt supply. Harley was up here on a visit last month and I went to Don Seymour's place (of the Sam MateoClub) for an eyeball QSO with him and Don. I heard about the visit on the Monday night 2-M net. Don is building up the "PIP-SQUEAK" out of QSI, and etched his own board using ferrie chloride and ordinary black tape layout of the circuit. Now, Don is not a technician, I believe, and he is a good example of a ham who is willing to try his hand at it, so go to it, fellas!

#### RED JOHNSON DONATES CLASSIC HRO RCVR TO PAARA

We have a beautiful museum piece at the trailer now, from Red Johnson, one of our advertisers. Fred Canham, W6QWF, said he will see if he can set up a power supply for it and hook up a speaker. That was a good receiver in its day, and still is, actually, so maybe we can get some use out of it as well as just look at it. This set is the original HRO (no modification, like HRO-J, etc.)

By Andy, VE3FZK



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#### SAN CARLOS BUGLE Report of the San Carlos C.D. Amateur Radio Club

Well, school is back in session, fall is just around the corner and its election time for the San Carlos club. Nominations for the new officers were made at the September 16 meeting and are as follows:

President		Vice-President	
Ken Keeler	WA6DKF	Jack McEnnerney	W6LII
Gene Sussli	WA6NVU	Fred Heward	K6EER
Jack Pierce	WA6CCH		
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Connie Lutz	WN 6MNI	Larry Daily	W6KZJ
Greg Garcia	WB6DAI	Bill Burris	WA6CXJ

Some of our gang had a close call on the road up to Mt. Hamilton in connection with the "oscar fly-over" on Sept. 11 Our good old Pres. Gene Sussli was driving his car with passengers Mike Bach and Dan Lutz. They hit a soft spot on the shoulder of the road and flipped off the road and dropped down approximately twenty feet. The only casualty was Dan Lutz who suffered some minor scatches, but the car was completely totalled. All the radio equipment came through OK, but poor Andy Korsak is still missing some of his tools that Gene was carrying for him. Guess the tool box came open and tools were flying through the air in all directions. All in all, they were real lucky with the exception of Gene who is out of one automobile.

73 - see you a few lines further down the log sheet.

Larry Daily, W6KZJ

Reminder: Keep in touch with all your buddies between club meetings, every Wednesday at 730 p.m. local on 28625 kc. Let's keep this band occupied.

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